OTHER HUMAN SERVICES-COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

MISSION

The Durham County Center of NC Cooperative Extension helps individuals, families and communities use research based knowledge and county resources to help improve the quality of their lives.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Extension is a cooperative effort of County Government, North Carolina State University, and the Federal government to provide educational programs that address local issues. Programs are delivered at the County Center as well as in the community.

Coordinated Transportation is funded by NCDOT and the Federal Department of Transportation to assist in assuring accessibility to transportation for citizens with special needs and citizens living outside the urban sections of our community. Human service agencies and non-profits use this funding to reduce transportation costs for citizens served. The staff in conjunction with the Transportation Advisory Board identifies needs, leverages resources and evaluates options for helping agencies and citizens meet their transportation needs.

2002-03 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Planned NCDOT assessment of the system for future growth.
- Received RGP funding to assist with transportation needs outside urban boundaries.
- Sponsored community forum on Senior Citizen needs in partnership with other agencies.

2003-04 OBJECTIVES

- Implement new contract for transportation services.
- Explore alternatives for more efficiently meeting the needs of human service clients.
- Develop strategic plan for implementation of system improvements based on community and NC DOT recommendations.